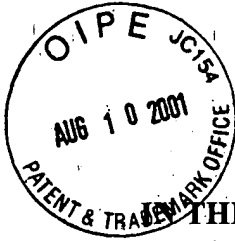


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IN RE

APPLICATION OF: Kent E. Regnier

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) 20231.

) August 7, 2001
) Date

) Kerri Richardson
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Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

TRANSMITTAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BEFORE MAILING DATE OF EITHER A FINAL
ACTION OR NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE (37 CFR 1.97(C))

**TIME OF TRANSMITTAL OF ACCOMPANYING
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1. The information disclosure statement submitted herewith is being filed after three months of the filing date of this national application or date of entry of the national stage as set forth in § 1.491 in an international application or after the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, whichever event occurred last but before the mailing date of either:

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B. the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p) for submission of an information disclosure statement under § 1.97(c).

FEE PAYMENT

3. Applicant elects the option to pay the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p) for submission of an information disclosure statement under § 1.97(c) (\$130.00).

Fee due \$0.00

METHOD OF PAYMENT OF FEE

4. Attached is check in the amount of \$.

 Charge Account No. 50-1873 in the amount of \$0.00

A duplicate of this request is attached.

If any additional fees are due, please charge Account No. 50-1873.

Respectfully submitted,
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CERTIFICATION FOR INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
(37 CFR 1.97(e))

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Dear Sir:

**IDENTIFICATION OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
FOR WHICH THIS CERTIFICATION IS BEING MADE**

1. This certification is being made for the Information Disclosure Statement
- ☒ accompanying this certification.
☐ filed _____

CERTIFICATION

2. I, the person(s) signing below certify

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IDENTIFICATION OF PERSON(S) MAKING THIS CERTIFICATION

3. The person making this certification is

(a) — the inventor(s) who signs below

Signature of Inventor

(b) — a person who is substantively involved in the preparation or prosecution of the application, and who is associated with the inventor, with the assignee, or with anyone to whom there is an obligation to assign the application (37 CFR 1.56(c)) and who signs below.

Signature of Person

Address

(c) X the attorney who signs below on the basis of the information

- supplied by the inventor(s).
— supplied by an individual designated in § 1.56(c).
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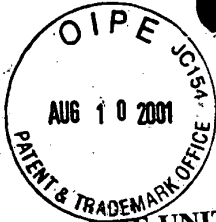
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

A complete listing of the documents on the attached "Information Disclosure Statement" (PTO Form 1449) is made of record, copies are enclosed and consideration by the Examiner is respectfully requested.

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